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Examiner: Gary Jackson
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Copies of documents 20-24 and 62-64 which are also listed on PTO/SB/08A (substitute for Form PTO-1449) (four pages), are enclosed herewith.

Applicant respectfully requests that these documents be fully considered by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application and printed on any patent which may issue on this application. Applicant also respectfully requests that a copy of PTO/SB/08A (substitute for Form PTO-1449) (four pages), submitted herewith, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned to the undersigned with the next communication.

It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. If for any reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully

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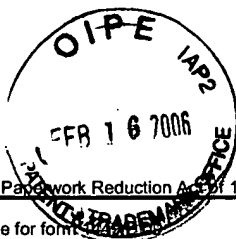
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